

GILMANTON HIGH SCHOOL

Alumni Spotlight

Graduate: Todd Severson Class of 1994 After High School: CVTC, Associates Degree in Hospitality & Tourism, and UW-Stout, Bachelor's Degree in Construction Management

Career Information: I was with Weis Builders for 12 years. I started as an assistant Project Manager and resigned as Associate VP. I'm currently President of TLS Companies, which I established in 2015.

Career Highlights: Notable projects that I led my construction team on are: The National Eagle Center (Wabasha), Lourdes High School/Campus (Rochester), Home 2 Suites (Eau Claire), Rochester Golf & Country Club course and building renovations and Homewood Suites (Rochester). We are known for being a dental specialist, as we have completed 31 dental clinics, most recently Pepin Valley Dental in Lake City. We are also currently in design of a new orthodontist's building in Rochester and a new office for Perio Specialists in Northfield.

Other Accomplishments: TLS not only provides commercial construction services but we also provide consulting and development services. We currently have a 35 acre development in Mankato where construction of 200 multifamily units and an 84 unit hotel will begin in the spring of 2020.

Advice to Current Students: Never forget where you came from! My company has three basic values: "handshakes, honest and integrity". With these three components, you can't be stopped. This was instilled by my parents, coaches, faculty, fellow students' parents and the Gilmanton Community.

Strengths of Gilmanton High School: I believe the strength of GHS is that it may be a small school in numbers, but mighty in value.

Fond Memories of Gilmanton High School: Many of my memories range from the excellent teachers we had from K-12, to relationships with upper and lower classmates that we still continue to have.

Other Info: I have been married to a beautiful woman, Heidi, for nearly twenty years. Heidi and I have two wonderful children, Avery- 15, and Kaine- 12. We live in Rochester, Minnesota, which has really become "home" for us. We both thought that we would be back in the Gilmanton area by 2012, but once we got here we fell in love with this community.

Todd was nominated for the GHS Alumni Spotlight by Stacy Winsand